Basin experiences its highs and lows, often influenced by the availability of water in any given year, the Basin recognizes the value of the Project and the District which manages it capably and effectively.

I want to thank the Southeastern District for its efforts and congratulate them on their half

a century of success.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING MATT BLAKE FOR WINNING THE OHIO DIVISION IV STATE BAS-KETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

## HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\ April\ 29,\ 2008$ 

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Matt Blake showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and

Whereas, Matt Blake was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Matt Blake always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Matt Blake on winning the Ohio Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2007–2008 basketball season.

IN TRIBUTE TO THE AIGEN HAIFA CHAPTER OF AMERICAN FRIENDS OF MAGEN DAVID ADOM

## HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\ April\ 29,\ 2008$ 

Mrs. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Aigen Haifa Chapter of American Friends of Magen David Adom. Magen David Adom is Israel's equivalent to the Red Cross.

The chapter based out of Sunrise, Florida, is celebrating the 60th anniversary of the state of Israel. Since its formation in 1992, the

chapter has raised several million dollars. This money has gone to buy 11 ambulances that cost anywhere between \$70 and \$100 thousand. The money also helps build blood centers in Israel which supply 95 percent of the blood in the state to among others, hospitals and the military.

Over the last three years, the chapter has been short handed. Many of us remember the destruction by Hurricane Wilma in 2005. This group felt it first hand, more than 50 of its 120 members have left and not returned to the area. But that has not stopped them from taking money out of their own pockets to donate to the state of Israel. On several occasions, a former member has passed away, and willed money to the organization so they could help their brothers and sisters in Israel.

Madam Speaker, this group exemplifies some of the best that this country has to offer. I thank you for giving me the opportunity to tell all of America about some of the women and men in my district who work to make positive changes in the lives of others.